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John Q. Larrimore House
St. Michaels
Private

c. 1907

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Standing on the corner of Church and Mulberry streets the two-and-a-half story side hall/parlor frame dwelling is a familiar architectural form with its asymmetrical three-bay elevation and center cross gable. Unusual to the house is the central chimney stack. The early twentieth century dwelling stands in a row of contemporary structures along Mulberry Street, most of which date to the late nineteenth century.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic JOHN Q. LARRIMORE HOUSE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 101 Mulberry Street ___ not for publication

city, town ST. Michaels ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Talbot

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
___ district	___ public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	___ agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment
___ object	___ in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	___ government
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	___ no	___ military

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name

street & number 101 Mulberry Street telephone no.:

city, town ST. Michaels state and zip code MD 21663

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber 289

street & number Talbot County Courthouse folio 275

city, town state

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. T-695

Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☒ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The John Q. Larrimore house is located at 101 Mulberry Street in the center of St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story, three-bay frame house faces south with the gable oriented on an east/west axis.

Built around 1907, the two-and-a-half story side hall/parlor main block is supported by a low masonry foundation, and the house is sheathed with a layer of asbestos shingles. The steeply pitched roof is covered in asphalt shingles. Extending to the rear is a two-story service wing.

The south (main) facade is an asymmetrical three-bay elevation with a side entrance filling the eastern bay. The partially glazed front door is flanked on the left by a pair of two-over-two sash windows. Stretching across the full front of the house is a square columned hip roof porch. Three evenly spaced two-over-two sash windows light the second floor. Highlighting the roof is a cross gable pierced by a pointed arch attic window. Unlike most houses in St. Michaels a center brick chimney protrudes through the roof.

The west gable end is marked by pairs of two-over-two sash windows that light each floor including the attic. The east gable end is pierced by two-over-two sash as well. Slightly extended eaves are finished with short returns at the base of the roof.

The interior of the house was not seen.

8. Significance

Survey No. T-695

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The John Q. Larrimore house stands at the corner of Mulberry and Church streets in the center of St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story side hall/parlor frame dwelling is a familiar architectural form with its asymmetrical three-bay elevation and center cross-gable. Unusual to the house is the central chimney stack. The early twentieth century dwelling stands in a row of contemporary structures along Mulberry Street, most of which date to the late nineteenth century.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

For a large part of the nineteenth century this corner location was the site of a carpenter's shop that figures in an 1878 court settlement concerning this Mulberry street property. In 1878, Joshua W. Bryant, trustee sold "Lot 3" of the divided Thomas property to Edward Harrison for \$220, ((85/39)) who in turn sold it to Johanna Collins that same year for \$210. ((85/40)) The adjacent 60' lot fronting Mulberry Street, identified as "Lot 2" in the chancery case was sold to Collins as well for \$505. ((85/41)) In the suit both parties admitted that there were rents collected on the improvements, which, at the time of the sale, included a house on "Lot 2" and a carpenter's shop on "Lot 3." The dwelling and shop were apparently rented thorough the balance of the nineteenth century, until John Q. Larrimore purchased a 47-foot corner lot from the heirs of Johanna Collins. (148/402) The \$550 purchase price would not have included a substantial dwelling like this house. John Larrimore died in 1911, and the house and lot went to his wife and children.

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PS-2746

YEAR: 1950 VOL: 289 PAGE: 275 PRICE: \$2000
FROM: Margaret M. Larrimore, widow
TO: Edward B. Watkins and Elsie L. Watkins
NOTES: Begins at NW corner of former Thomas B. Jones, now J. Norman Marshall; run N. 43'6"; then NE 6'; then N 70' 5"; then W 12'7" to Church Street; S with Church Street to Mulberry; E with Mulberry 47' to the beginning.
Conveyed to John Q. Larrimore by Thomas B. Baker 1907, 148/402. John Q. died in 1911 and property went to wife and children. The children were bought out in 1940, 246/125.

YEAR: 1907 VOL: 148 PAGE: 402 PRICE: \$550
FROM: John B. Baker, atty.
TO: John Q. Larrimore
NOTES: Sale was made under a power of attorney given by nine Collins, and two Niemanns, the heirs of Johanna Collins, dcd. (148/185)
Same description. This deed erected the 47-foot lot.
Conveyed to Johanna Collins by Edward and Susannah Harrison 1878, 85/40. Also a portion of land conveyed to Johanna Collins by Joshua Bryant, trustee 1878, 85/41

YEAR: 1878 VOL: 85 PAGE: 40 PRICE: \$210
FROM: Edward Harrison and Susannah Harrison
TO: Johanna Collins
NOTES: A lot 38 feet on Mulberry Street lying west of, and adjoining a lot about to be conveyed to Collins by Joshua Bryant.
Conveyed to Harrison by Joshua W. Bryant, trustee 1878, 85/39.

YEAR: 1878 VOL: 85 PAGE: 41 PRICE: \$505
FROM: Joshua Bryant, trustee
TO: Johanna Collins
NOTES: Sale was made in accordance with Circuit Court decree in the case, Martha Benson vs Frances Thomas and others. This is "lot number two" in the referenced case. It is cited here as the source of the nine feet which, when added to the 38 feet of the previous deed, makes the 47 feet front on Mulberry Street of the present lot.

This was a 60-foot lot and with its purchase, Johanna owned a total of 98 feet on Mulberry Street. The 98 feet, containing a dwelling house and a "carpenter shop" (at least in 1878), remained in the Collins family until the 47 foot lot was sold to John Q. Larrimore in 1907.

YEAR: 1878 VOL: 85 PAGE: 39 PRICE: \$220

FROM: Joshua W. Byant, trustee

TO: Edward Harrison

NOTES: This was sold as "Lot number 3" of the Benson-Thomas Case (Chancery, 15/297). According to the description it is 38 feet on Mulberry Street, west of Lot number 2, sold to Johanna Collins. It was improved by a CARPENTER SHOP at the time of sale. The newspaper account of the 1870 fire mentions the carpenter shop of Blades and Dyott (builders) which may have been located here.

The Benson-Thomas Case relates that a Martha Benson paid a friend, Mary Thomas to purchase a lot for her at the sale of the real estate of John and Mary Thompson in 1842. Mary Thomas was to keep Martha's interest in the transaction a secret (and did!). Thirty-two years later Mary Thomas died intestate, leaving heirs. Martha Benson sued to be declared the sole owner of the property. The Court disallowed Martha's claim and ordered the property sold, with Martha getting a share with the heirs.

The lot purchased by Mary Thomas was "Lot number 3" of the 1842 Thompson sale. It was 130 feet on Mulberry Street, running back to the marshy ground which had once been "Church Cove". When Joshua Bryant put the lot up for sale he divided it into three parts: Lot #1.- 30 feet; Lot #2.- 60 feet; and Lot #3.- 38 feet. to the corner of Church Street.

In the suit, both sides admit that there were rents collected on the property which. at the time of sale, included a house on #2. and a carpenter shop on #3.

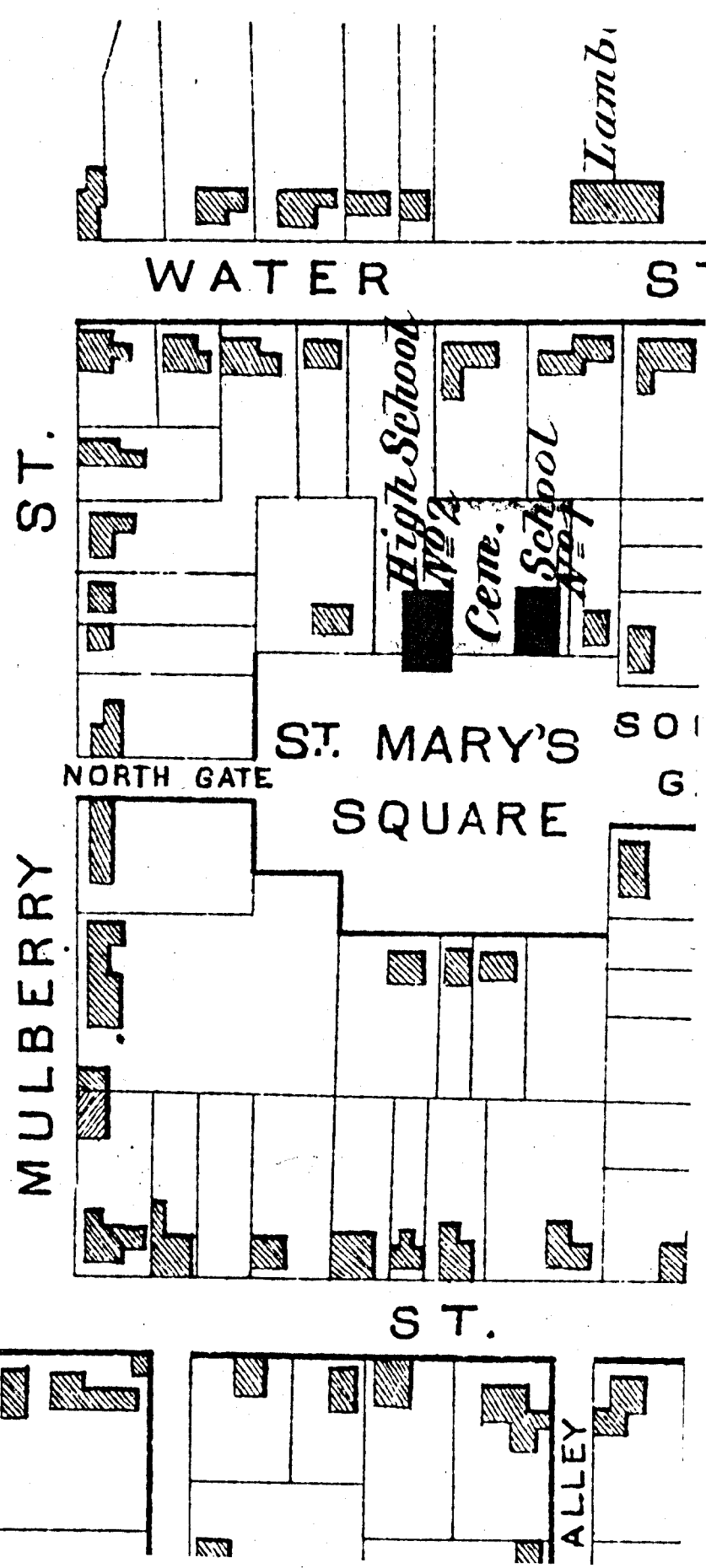
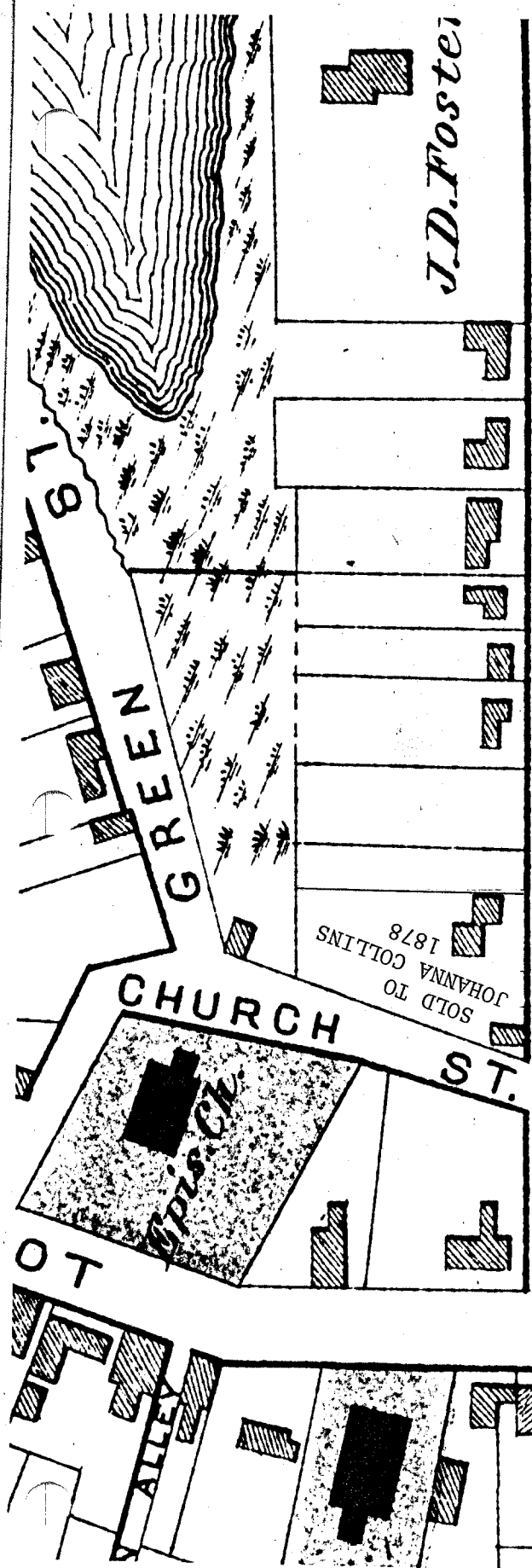
YEAR: 1845 VOL: 58 PAGE: 39 PRICE: \$97

FROM: Samuel Hambleton, Jr. Trustee

TO: Mary Thomas

NOTES: Described as the parcel mentioned as "Lot number 3" in the Public Sale of the real estate of John and Mary Thompson. According to the survey, it was 130 feet on Mulberry Street from Church Street to the lot of James Dodson, dcd.

This deed will be fully discussed in connection with the adjoining property,
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W

M

CHURCH STREET
40 feet wide

SOLD TO
MARY THOMAS
1842

13

12

11

10

9

8

7

6

MULBERRY STREET N. 66° 15' E. To M

60 Feet

wide

20

19

18

17

16

15

14

13

North Gate
40 feet wide

200

Feet

Trade TO DO

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OF VALUABLE

Real Estate

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of Court for Talbot County sitting in
equity, the undersigned, will offer at public
auction in front of the town hall in the
town of St. Michaels, Talbot County, on

Saturday, March 17th, 1877,

at 2 o'clock p.m., that valuable house and
lot situated on Malberry street between the
property of Oliver P. Sparks and Church
street, and immediately opposite the resi-
dence of Capt. George Tyler, which formerly
belonged to Mary T. Adams, deceased.

The lot fronts about 125 feet on Malber-
ry street—the street running from Main
street to Lambdin's wharf—and runs back,
west, 140 feet, more or less, to a marsh lot
belonging to James Benson; is bounded on
the East by the property of O. P. Sparks,
and on the west by Church street. It is im-
proved by a single story frame dwelling
and back buildings in fair repair, and a car-
penter's shop on the corner of the lot next
to Church street. It is as desirable a loca-
tion as any in St. Michaels—being on a
wide street and in the heart of the town.

The property will be first offered in three
lots, then as an entirety, the trustee reserv-
ing the right to accept the bid or bids which
shall bring the most money.

LOT NO. 1.

Is an unimproved lot, lying next to the
Sparks property, fronting 30 feet on Mal-
berry street and running back 140 feet to
Benson's lot.

LOT NO. 2.

Fronts 60 feet on Malberry street, to west
of and adjoins lot No. 1; is 140 feet deep
and improved by the dwelling above and
appurtenances.

LOT NO. 3.

Fronts 25 feet on Malberry street, to west
of lot No. 2 and east of Church street. It
is as in a Carpenter's shop, and is a desir-
able location for business.

The terms of sale as prescribed by the
Court, are, One Half of the purchase price
to be paid in Cash, on the day of sale;
the balance in nine months from the day of
sale, the purchaser giving bond with secur-
ity to be approved by the trustee, bearing
interest from the day of sale. On the pay-
ment of the whole purchase money a plain
conveyance will be conveyed, the
purchaser paying for the same.

C. W. BRYANT, Trustee.

Valuable Dwelling House

ON

Railroad Avenue

AT

Public Sale

BY virtue of authority derived from the
Orphans' Court of Talbot County, the un-
dersigned as Executrix of Joseph V. B. Wright,
deceased, will offer at public auc-
tion in front of the Court House in Easton
at 2 o'clock P. M. on

Tuesday, March 13th, 1877,

LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

In Easton

AT

Public Sale

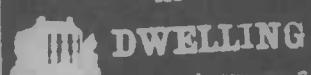
BY virtue of authority of the Orphans'
Court of Talbot County, the under-
signed, executrix of Joseph V. B. Wright,
deceased, will offer at public sale, in
front of the Court House in Easton, on

Tuesday, the 3rd day of April next,

at 2 o'clock p.m., that large and valua-
ble

Brick Store House,

and



DWELLING

and lot, situated on Washington street
Easton, immediately opposite the Court
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at the time of his death. It is one of the
best, if not the best, business stand in
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room was remodeled and beautified, and
it is now one of the handsomest stores in
town. The Dwelling is commodious
enough for a large boarding house.
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tunity to any one wishing to go into busi-
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situate on the alley in the rear of the
dwelling. These are fine stables, eligi-
bly situated, and will be sold in lots sep-
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a few days after the sale, and the
dwelling house at the end of the present
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rent for the dwelling from day of sale.

TERMS.

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Court are one-third cash on the day of
sale, the balance in two equal instal-
ments of six and twelve months from the
day of sale; the purchaser giving bond
with approved security bearing interest
from the day of sale. After the whole
purchase money is paid, a good title
will be conveyed, the purchaser paying
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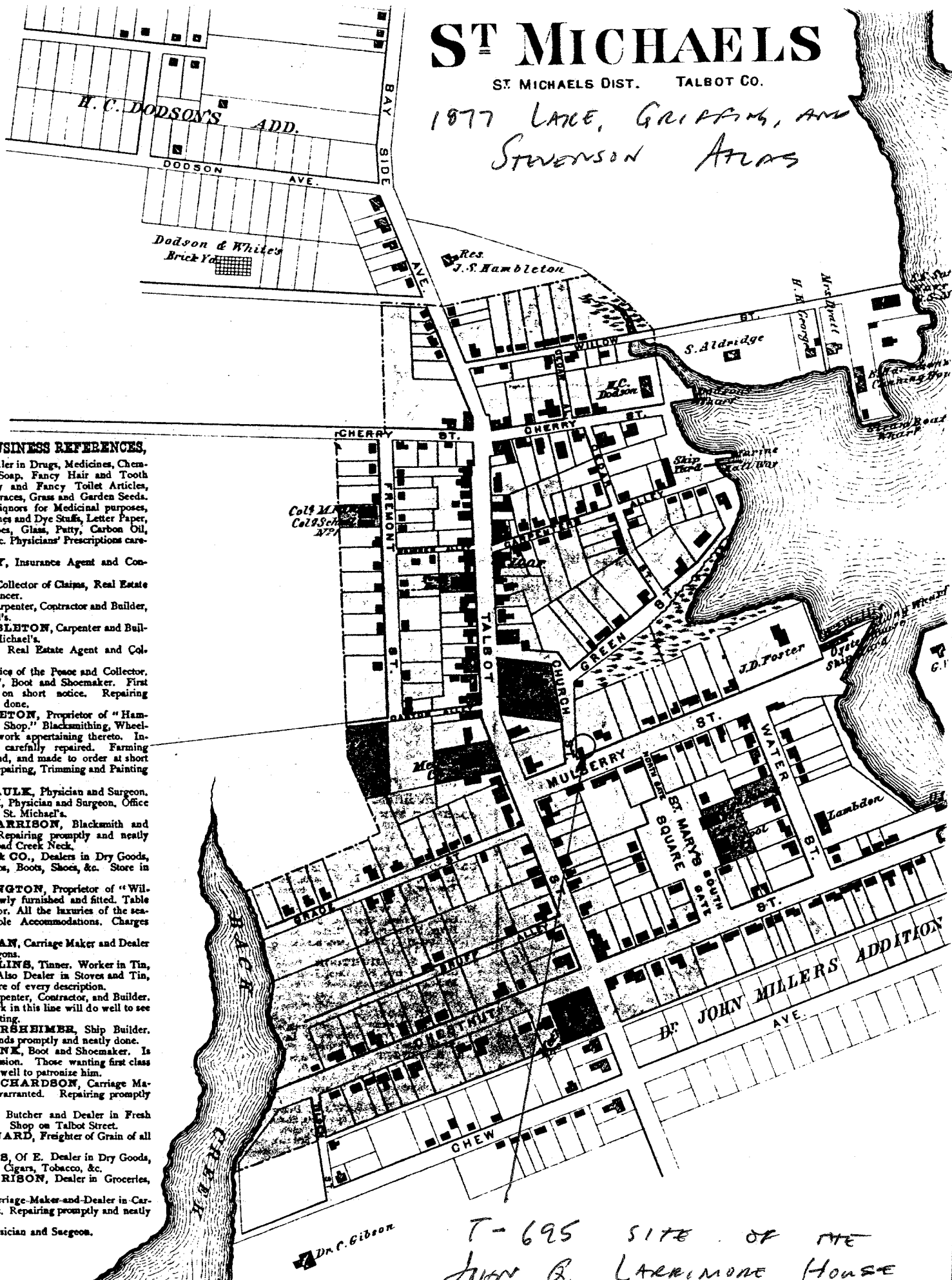
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weather, it

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T-695 SITE OF THE
Hon B. LARRIMORE HOUSE



T-695
JOHN Q. LARRIMORE HOUSE
St. Michaels, MD Quadrangle
1942



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JOHN Q. LARRIMORE HOUSE

South elevation

5/89, Paul Touart, photographer

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